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Applicants: Liu et al.

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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

Responsive to the outstanding Final Office Action dated March 5, 2003, in the above-identified application, having a THREE (3) month period for response, which expires June 5, 2003. Applicants respectfully request the following amendment be entered so as to place the application in a condition for allowance or a better form for appeal.

STATUS OF CLAIMS

Claims 1, 2, 4-5, 7-9, 14, 16, 18-20 are presented for reconsideration.

Claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, 18, 19 and 20 are allowed.

Claims 8, 9, 14 and 16 remain rejected as anticipated.

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